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Addendum

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PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE MEDIUM-TERM PLAN FOR THE PERIOD 1992-1997

Programme 26, Integration of social groups

1. At its 12th meeting, on 18 May, the Committee considered revisions to programme 26 (Integration of social groups) of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997 (A/47/6 (Prog. 26)).

Discussion

2. A number of delegations were of the view that before establishing new standards, existing standards should be reviewed and evaluated. Similarly, care should be taken not to promote instruments that might duplicate existing ones. Other delegations considered that promoting international instruments was a normal function of the United Nations.

3. One delegation expressed the view that additional international instruments on the rights of disabled persons were not necessary, as existing instruments conferred rights on all people whether able-bodied or disabled.

Conclusions and recommendations

4. The Committee recommended the approval of the revisions to programme 26 of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997, with the following modifications:

(a) In paragraph 26.16, second line, after the words "strengthened between the" should be inserted the words "the United Nations and";

(b) In paragraph 26.19 (b), the subparagraph should be replaced with "To formulate integrated policies, strategies and programmes based on comprehensive analyses of the impact of social and economic changes on ageing and the impact of the elderly on societies";

(c) In paragraph 26.30, at the end of the last sentence should be added the words "in collaboration with the Department of Public Information".